

CLASSIFICATION SECRETCOUNTRY East Germany REPORTTOPIC Dessau Airfield 25X1EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 18 October 1954 25X1

REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) 25X1REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED

1. On 8 March 1954, a glider training was resumed at Dessau airfield by the Athletic and Technical Association after the winter months. The gliders took off by means of winches. On 22 and 23 May, there was intensive glider training in addition to firing practices, competitions with model aircraft and riding practices by the KVP. 25X1
2. Since 13 September, the VP billets on Junkers Strasse in Dessau have been occupied by a Soviet fatigue detail of air force soldiers. About 20 men were engaged in cleaning work in the southern section of the field. VPL officers were observed in Dessau.¹
3. On 21 September, no aircraft were seen at the field. Two tank trucks and a semi-underground radio truck were identified. Local residents stated that Soviets have been stationed at the field for some days. A re-occupation of the field was expected soon.²

4. About 2230 on 23 September, a column of tank trucks, including [REDACTED] was observed in Dessau, coming from the direction of Aken. [REDACTED] 25X1

1. Comment. Dessau airfield is not occupied by a Soviet Air Force unit.
2. Comment. It is believed that Dessau airfield has temporarily been used by air units of the Soviet Air Force during the fall maneuvers. 25X1
3. Comment. The column of tank trucks probably moved to Dessau airfield. Motor vehicle [REDACTED] were once observed in Dessau in August 1954. It is unknown whether they belong to an air force unit. [REDACTED] were previously reported from Laerz. 25X1

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